

# THE FAMILY ALTAR

*A daily devotional guide for the home—As the head of the house should teach it in a simple way to his household.*

❶ **Invocation** — *In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.*

❷ **Apostles' Creed**

❸ **Verse of the Week** — **Jeremiah 31:34b** *“They all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,” says the Lord. “For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.”*

❹ **Psalm of the Week** — *Psalm 146*

❺ **Small Catechism for the Week** — THE OFFICE OF THE KEYS: *What do you believe according to these words?*

❻ **Daily Bible Readings**

*Monday — Leviticus 21:1-24; Luke 12:1-12*

*Tuesday — Leviticus 23:1-22; Luke 12:13-34*

*Wednesday — Leviticus 23:23-44; Luke 12:35-53*

*Thursday — Leviticus 24:1-23; Luke 12:54—13:17*

*Friday — Leviticus 26:1-20; Luke 13:18-35*

*Saturday — Leviticus 26:21-33, 39-44; Luke 14:1-24*

*Sunday — Numbers 3:1-16, 39-48; Luke 14:25—15:10*

❼ **Collect of the Week** — *O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

❽ **Daily Themes for Prayer** —

**Monday:** *Pray for those who have fallen away from the church.*

**Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and for all who struggle against sin.*

**Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family and the strength to raise godly children.*

**Thursday:** *Pray for the church and her pastors and for the leaders of our district and synod.*

**Friday:** *Pray for the work of all who spread the Gospel to all corners of the world.*

**Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end, for the dying, for the shut-in and homebound members of our congregation, and for receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.*

❾ **Lord's Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism**

❿ **Hymn of the Week** — *LSB #633 “At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing”*

⓪ **Preparing for Next Sunday** — *The following readings may be read sometime during the week to prepare the family for the upcoming lessons on Sunday, **Easter 6:***

*Acts 17:16-31*

*1 Peter 3:13-22*

*John 14:15-21*

*Psalm 66:8-20*



**In Our Prayers this Week—**

*The victims and families of all violence throughout our country and world.*

- *Peace among nations.*
- *Virginia McDonald, sister of Betty Payne, who is battling cancer.*
- *Bob Klug, for successful recovery,*
- *Ed Friede, recovering at New Castle, Mequon.*
- *Joan Eippert, receiving treatment for cancer.*
- *David Meier, brother-in-law of Dan Dolezal, who is recovering from surgery.*
- *Marion, Terry Ourada's mother, sick with cancer.*
- *Sarah Grisar, daughter-in-law of Dave and Bunnie Grisar, continuing battle with cancer.*
- *Taylor Johnson, who is currently deployed.*
- *May mission of the month, Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach.*
- *Please also keep in prayer*  
—*our seminarians, Josh Benish and Luke Konkel;*  
—*John Wille our district president, and Matthew Harrison our synodical president, for the LCMS;*  
—*for the members, officers and auxiliaries of Emmanuel, for salutary use of the blessed sacrament of the Lord's body and blood;*  
—*our circuit congregation, St. Paul in Sheboygan Falls and Revs. Kyle Backhaus & Rob Schrader;*  
—*our Missionary Rev. Tyler McMiller and his family in Italy and Southern Europe; and*  
—*our shut-in Members, Bill Taylor, Phil & Donna Bloedel and Bob & Alice Denhardt.*

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



*Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life.  
No one comes to the Father except through me.”*  
**John 14:6**

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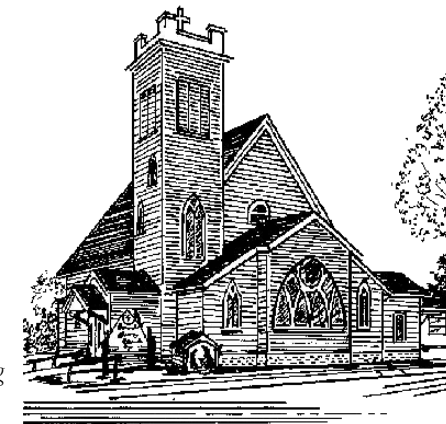
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**WE WELCOME** all who gather with us around the Altar and Pulpit to hear the Word of God. **IF YOU ARE VISITING** this morning, we are happy that you could join us today. *Would you please sign our guest book in the narthex to leave a record of your visit?* **IF YOU DESIRE TO COMMUNE**, please speak to the pastor before the service. Our altar is open to those who confess oneness with us in doctrine and are members in good standing of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. **IF YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN** with you today we want you to know that they are always welcome in our service. Jesus said, *“Let the little children come to me...”* Activity bags are available in the narthex. **IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE** with anything, please speak to the pastor or the usher. **RESTROOMS** are available in the back of the church or in the education wing. We pray that you feel welcome in our congregation, that you are blessed by the service, and that you will come again.

**MAY 7, 2023**

- Greeters — *Andrew Harrill & Lorraine Cook*
- Elder — *Jeff Ourada*; Usher — *Karl Eippert*
- Altar Guild — *Mandy Neumann*; Jr. Altar Guild — *Betsy Marks*
- Cantors — *Andrew Harrill & Lorraine Cook*; Acolyte — *Kai Reysen*
- Organist — *Mrs. Terry Ourada*
- Pastor — *Rev. Paul W. Marks*; Guest Preacher — *Rev. David Blas*

**The Lord Jesus Christ Is the Way, the Truth, and the Life**



**T**he risen Lord Jesus alone is *“the way, the truth, and the life,”* and we *“come to the Father”* only through Him (John 14:6). God is thus *“glorified in the Son,”* and those who believe in Him will do the works of Christ, because He goes to the Father for us (John 14:12–14). Stephen, *“a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit”* (Acts 6:5) and *“doing great wonders and signs among the people”* (Acts 6:8), did the works of Christ. When he was falsely accused and put to death, he *“gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God”* (Acts 7:55). Fixing his hope there, he commended his spirit to the Lord Jesus and prayed for his murderers. In the same way, all the baptized are called to follow the example of Christ Jesus by faith. Though He was *“rejected by men,”* in the sight of God He is *“chosen and precious”* (1 Peter 2:4). He is the Chief Cornerstone of the Father’s *“spiritual house,”* and we are built upon Him as *“living stones”* (1 Peter 2:4–5).

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Introit** (*sung responsively after confession & absolution*) Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: Psalm 149:1



Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a | new song,\*  
 his praise in the assembly of the | godly!  
**I will extol you, O Lord, for you have | drawn me up\*  
 and have not let my foes rejoice | over me.**  
 O Lord my God, I cried to | you for help,\*  
 and you have | healed me.  
**O Lord, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;\*  
 you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit.**  
 Sing praises to the Lord, O | you his saints,\*  
 and give thanks to his | holy name.  
**For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.\*  
 Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the | morning.**  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
 and to the Holy | Spirit;  
 as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
 Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a | new song,\*  
 his praise in the assembly of the | godly!

**Collect** (*spoken by pastor*)

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Gradual** (*sung responsively*) adapted from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6

Christ has risen | from the dead.\*  
 [God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor,  
**He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;\*  
 he has put all things un- | der his feet.**

**ORDER OF SERVICE:**

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*The Stoning of Stephen*

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**1 Peter 2:2-10**

*A Living Stone and a Holy People*

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**John 14:1-14**

*I Am the Way, and the Truth,*

*and the Life*

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